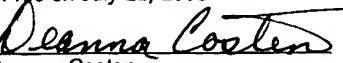




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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 25, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 17-19 without prejudice to renewal.

REMARKS

In response to the election/restriction imposed by the examiner in the above-identified application, applicants hereby elect for examination the claims of Group I, drawn to a process, e.g., claims 1-16. This election is made with traverse. Claims 17-19 have been cancelled without prejudice to renewal in this or another related application.

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